

Advantageously, the user selectively opens display **102** from body **110** in order to operate keyboard **104** in conjunction with display **102**. Then, the user desirably folds display **102** against body **110** so portable computing device **100** is transported, carried, or protected as a slender or convenient item. An integration or packaging of recording medium **106** with body **110** and/or electronics for keyboard **104** and/or display **102**, advantageously promotes decreased physical bulk, interconnection length, and/or transmission time delay of portable computing device **100**. For instance, certain electronics are located within body **110** and rearward of keyboard **104**. For example, when folded, portable computing device **100** exhibits overall dimensions such as 0.75 in. thickness, 8.0 in. depth, and 12.0 in. breadth. In addition, portable computing device **100** has an approximate weight of about 3 lbs.

Still referring to FIG. 6, portable computing device **100**, in one example, is configured so display **102** is folded against body **110** without resting upon keys of keyboard **104**. For instance, body **110** is formed with bars, legs, or rails located about or adjacent to keyboard **104** to protect the keys of keyboard **104** by providing support to display **102**. Arm **108** is configured to be folded toward or against body **110** without contacting the keys of keyboard **104**. Such bars, legs, or rails provide support to portable computing device **100** when display **102** is pivoted about portable computing device **100** to be used in conjunction with recording medium **106**. For example, the bars, legs, or rails provide support upon a surface such as a table, desk, or lap while preventing or reducing contact between the keys of keyboard **104** and the surface. Such support serves to steady or stabilize portable computing device **100** to enhance user operation of recording medium **106** in conjunction with display **102**.

Referring now to FIG. 7, in another example, arm **108** is extended longitudinally so display **102** is viewed by a user while operating stylus **450** in conjunction with recording medium **106**. For instance, portable computing device **100** is flipped over or turned relative to a direction in which the user would type upon keyboard **104**, and display **102** is flipped over or turned between arms **108** so the user views display **102** while viewing, using, or interfacing with recording medium **106**. Such a location or disposition of display **102** enhances acceptability and unobtrusiveness of portable computing device **100** in a setting such as a meeting among persons seated about a table upon which portable computing device **100** is placed. For instance, the extension of display **102** to be visible to the user while operating stylus **450** with recording medium **106**, yet flattened to avoid obstruction of vision between the user and the other persons as well as between the other persons and recording medium **106** (e.g., or markable surface **150**, FIG. 4, laid atop recording medium **106**) enhances openness, productivity, confidence, teamwork, trust, collaboration, and/or cooperation among attendees at or participants in the meeting.

Referring to FIG. 8, display **102** is inclined to provide a certain angle for viewing of display **102** in conjunction with recording medium **106**. For instance, an inclination of display **102** is selected by the user to promote easy and ready exhibition of information for the user.

Now referring to FIG. 9, display **102** is moved to present a viewing position with little inclination while raised above recording medium **106**. Such a position accommodates a different posture (e.g., reclining, lying, bending, or leaning) of the user, or a separate user having a relatively shorter or smaller stature.

Although preferred embodiments have been depicted and described in detail herein, it will be apparent to those skilled

in the relevant art that various modifications, additions, substitutions and the like can be made without departing from the spirit of the invention and these are therefore considered to be within the scope of the invention as defined in the following claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A portable computing device, comprising:

a support structure having a body including a first face portion and a second face portion, said first face portion generally directed in a first direction, said second face portion generally directed in a second direction, said second direction being different from said first direction;

a processing unit supported with said body;

a keyboard coupled with said processing unit and having keys forming said first face portion, said keyboard configured to communicate a first datum to said processing unit in response to a user operation of said keyboard;

a recording medium coupled with said processing unit and forming said second face portion, said recording medium configured to communicate a second datum to said processing unit in response to a user operation of a stylus when said recording medium is superimposed with said stylus; and

a display, separate from said recording medium, coupled with said processing unit and movably connected with said body, said display movable to a first location and a second location, said first location allowing user viewing of said display during said user operation of said keyboard, said second location allowing user viewing of said display during said user operation of said stylus.

2. The device of claim 1, wherein said display is connected with said body by an extendable arm.

3. The device of claim 2, wherein said extendable arm includes a part connected with at least one of said body and said display by a hinge.

4. The device of claim 2, wherein said extendable arm comprises at least one of a telescopic, shortenable, elongatable, foldable, unfoldable, and collapsible arm.

5. The device of claim 2, wherein said extendable arm comprises a first extendable arm, said first extendable arm pivotally connected with said body and said display, and further comprising a second extendable arm, said second extendable arm pivotally connected with said body and said display.

6. The device of claim 1, wherein said display is at least one of pivotable and translatable to said first location and said second location.

7. The device of claim 1, wherein said first location allows user viewing of a first visual element of said display, said first visual element responsive to said first datum, wherein said second location allows user viewing of a second visual element of said display, said second visual element responsive to said second datum.

8. The device of claim 7, wherein said first visual element comprises at least one of a first text element and a first graphic element, and wherein said second visual element comprises at least one of a second text element and a second graphic element.

9. The device of claim 1, wherein said recording medium is superimposable with a removable markable surface, wherein said stylus allows user marking on said markable surface when said recording medium is superimposed with said markable surface, wherein said user operation of said